



Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Newsletter

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KASPER Tips: The Prescriber Report, aka "Reverse KASPER"

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Have you ever:

- Received a call from a pharmacist regarding what appears to be a bogus prescription written using your DEA Number?
- Fired a staff member for calling in prescriptions without your authorization?
- Had prescription pads stolen from your office and not realized it for several weeks?

If you have, you are not alone! The good news is KASPER and the Drug Enforcement and Professional Practices Branch (DEBBP) can help. Prescribers can log in to eKASPER and run a prescriber report (reverse KASPER) on the DEA Number used to establish their eKASPER account.

Why should I request my prescribing report?

There are many reasons why prescribers are encouraged to obtain their prescribing report. This report helps you ensure that your patients' prescriptions are showing up under your DEA Number and are not attributed to another provider, and that other providers' prescriptions are not showing up under your DEA Number. A review of your prescribing report is often the only way to identify fraudulent controlled substance prescriptions being filled under your DEA Number.

When should I request my prescribing report?

Recently, DEPPB investigators have received several calls from prescribers regarding fraudulent activity. The DEPPB recommends obtaining a prescribing report several times each year to verify the accuracy of the data. Additionally, we recommend you check your report for fraudulent activity shortly after any staff change in your office.

How can I request my prescribing report?

1. Log onto your eKASPER account, just like you would when you request a KASPER report on a patient.
2. Select the "Administration" tab on the left hand side of the screen.
3. Select the "Account Maintenance" tab on the left hand side of the screen. Here you will see all of your account information, including name, phone number, and delegates.
4. Below that information, you will see a section called "Prescribing Report Request." Here you can select any 30 day date range you wish (plans to increase this date range are in the works).
5. Select "View Report." Be patient, as this may take a few minutes.

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Board Orders can be viewed under the Physician Profile/
Verification of License link on the Board's website at
www.kbml.ky.gov

Board Action Report (actions taken since 01/01/14)

Alan F. Bachrach, M.D., Nashville, TN, License # 46993
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 03/28/14.

Glenn J. Bichlmeir, M.D., Alexandria, KY, License # 19517
Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction
entered into 01/28/14.

Allen R. Bond, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 25926
Second Amended Agreed Order entered into 03/07/14.

Heath E. Brown, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 30476
Agreed Order of Probation entered into 02/21/14.

James S. Buck, M.D., Clarkson, KY, License # 26600
Agreed Order of Probation entered into 02/25/14.

Thomas C. Crain, M.D., Taylorsville, KY, License # 28770
Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction
entered into 01/16/14.

Michael J. Doyle, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 28798
Agreed Order entered into 03/18/14.

Louis G. Forte, M.D., Benton, KY, License # 24262
Agreed Order entered into 01/03/14.

Samuel Watt Gehring, M.D., Flemingsburg, KY, License # 13429
Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into
02/19/14.

C. Fred Gott, M.D., Bowling Green, KY, License # 20987
Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into
02/20/14.

Thomas M. Hall, M.D., Owingsville, KY, License # 17726
Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order issued
02/03/14.

James H. Heaphy, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 26270
Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction
entered into 02/19/14.

Richard Karrel, M.D., Crestwood, KY, License # 38508
Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction
entered into 02/25/14.

Richard B. Karsh, M.D., Colorado Springs, CO, License # 33609
Order of Revocation issued 03/28/14, effective 04/30/14.

Paul D. Kelty, M.D., Corydon, IN, License # 20164
Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01/16/14.

A. Barry Klein, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 24316
Order Suspending License Pursuant to 201 KAR 9:310
issued 02/21/14 effective 02/26/14.

Paul D. Lopreato, PA-C, Florence, KY, License # PA735
Third Amended Agreed Order entered into 01/27/14.

Buddy Pastrano-Lopez, M.D., Evansville, IN, License # 34381
Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into
01/03/14.

Gary C. Patton, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 24639
Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction
entered into 03/18/14.

Frank A. Paul, D.O., Yucca Valley, CA, License # 03653
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 01/24/14.

Jason J. Porter, M.D., Henry, OH, License # 38778
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 03/03/14.

Subramanya K.K. Prasad, M.D., Florence, KY, License # 36444
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 02/27/14.

Dean Paul Rieger, M.D., Nashville, TN, License # 46994
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 03/28/14.

**Kenneth A. Runciman, M.D., Callander, Ontario, Canada,
License # 46739**
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 01/14/14.

John P. Short, D.O., LaValette, WV, License # 03042
Agreed Order entered into 02/10/14.

Jon M. Strauss, M.D., Berea, KY, License # 23271
Order of Revocation issued 03/27/14, effective 04/27/14.

Shawn D. Trask, M.D., Paducah, KY, License # 43235
Agreed Order entered into 03/13/14.

Canh Jeff Van Vo, D.O., Elizabethtown, KY, License # 02626
Agreed Order of Probation entered into 02/27/14.

Sam Gbutue Vorkpor, M.D., Lexington, KY, # 44744
Agreed Order entered into 03/11/14.

**Restrictions have also been placed on the following physi-
cians' licenses pending resolution of charges brought against
them:**

Kim M. Callwood, M.D., Bowie, MD, License # 41267
Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension
issued 03/18/14, effective 03/21/14.

Jennifer G. Collins, M.D., Catlettsburg, KY, License # 26553
Amended Complaint and Amended Emergency Order
of Suspension issued 02/24/14, effective 02/27/14.

Scott R. Hamann, M.D., Nicholasville, KY, License # 32055
Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension
issued 03/24/14, effective 03/26/14.

Michael C. Hess, M.D., Prospect, KY, License # 19773
Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension
issued 12/20/13, effective 01/14/14.

KASPER Tips: The Prescriber Report, aka “Reverse KASPER” (Continuation from page 1)

What happens if I do find errors on the prescribing report?

Contacting the dispenser (pharmacy) is **always** the first step when a possible error is discovered on any KASPER report, as this is where the data originated. If you and the dispenser determine the dispenser reported data in error, the dispenser is required to submit corrected data to the KASPER database within seven days. If you identify any fraudulent activity, you are advised to contact law enforcement. If you are not sure which law enforcement organization to contact, please call the DEPPB for assistance.

Remember DEPPB staff are available to help with any questions or problems you may encounter. For support please contact DEPPB at (502) 564-7985.

New FSMB Resource for Improving Physician-Patient Communications

Many of the complaints state medical boards receive from patients can be linked at some level to a breakdown in communications between physicians and patients – even when the complainant is unaware that communication is at the root of the problem. To help address this issue, the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) has developed a new Physician-Patient Communications Resource Center for boards to use in educating physicians about the kinds of communication issues that can lead to complaints from their patients.

The Resource Center includes articles and studies from state medical board newsletters, health care publications, medical societies, academic studies and blogs.

Examples of poor communication:

According to the resources available on the website, examples of poor communication that can lead to complaints include:

- A patient may find his or physician's tone insulting or dismissive.
- Inappropriate comments about a patient's appearance or anatomical features unrelated to the patient's health.
- Incomplete communication about possible clinical outcomes and side effects of care, which can set up unrealistic expectations for the outcome of treatment.

A few of the topics covered in the Resource Center include:

- “Communication is Often Key to Patient Complaints”
- “Helping licensees stay out of trouble: Yes, we do that too”
- “Patient Engagement: Are You Thinking About Your Patients in the Right Way?”
- “Use of Electronic Health Records Can Improve Patient-Physician Communication”

The Board encourages physicians to utilize the resources in The Physician-Patient Communications Resource Center and it can be accessed at www.fsmb.org/physician_patient_communications_resource_center.html

Board General Counsel Announces Retirement

In February, the Board's General Counsel, C. Lloyd Vest announced his retirement effective March 31, 2014. Mr. Vest served as the Board's General Counsel for 18 years and has taken on the new position as Executive Director of the Arizona Medical Board. The Board would like to express its appreciation to Mr. Vest for his many years of dedicated service and countless contributions to the medical community and the Commonwealth.

As result of this announcement, the Board, at its March meeting, named Leanne Diakov as the new General Counsel effective April 1, 2014. Ms. Diakov, a Frankfort native, graduated from Furman University and received her M.A. from the Patterson School of Diplomacy & International Commerce at the University of Kentucky. She is also a graduate of the University Of Louisville's Louis D. Brandeis School of Law and previously served as the Board's Assistant General Counsel since 2009.

2014 Annual Renewal of Physician Licenses

Annual renewal of physician licenses for the current year has just been completed. The Board is pleased to announce that 96% of physicians utilized the on-line renewal service this year. As of April 4, 2014, a total of 15,600 physicians have renewed their medical/osteopathic license. This reflects an increase of 403 over last year's total for the same period. Of the total 9,987 physicians reported a practice address in Kentucky.

Medical Status	In State	% of Total	Out of State	% of Total
Private Practice	4,933	46.82%	1,765	34.85%
Hospital Based	2,621	24.88%	1,261	24.90%
Faculty	802	7.61%	230	4.54%
Resident or Fellow	298	2.83%	33	0.65%
Emergency Medicine	493	4.68%	179	3.53%
Public Health/Government	293	2.78%	136	2.69%
Administration	104	0.99%	125	2.47%
Occupational Medicine	70	0.66%	52	1.03%
Military	26	0.25%	50	0.99%
Research	11	0.10%	9	0.18%
Locum Tenens	113	1.07%	291	5.75%
Semi-Retired	140	1.33%	45	0.89%
Telemedicine	29	0.28%	674	13.31%
Retired	548	5.20%	157	3.10%
Other	54	0.51%	58	1.15%
Total:	10,535	100.00%	5,065	100.00%

Physicians' Sex

Male Physicians	7,671	72.81%	3,890	76.80%
Female Physicians	2,864	27.19%	1,175	23.20%
Total:	10,535	100.00%	5,065	100.00%

Physicians' Degree

Physicians with M.D.	9,912	94.09%	4,765	94.08%
Physicians with D.O.	623	5.91%	300	5.92%
Total:	10,535	100.00%	5,065	100.00%

Medical School Attended

Kentucky	4,345	41.24%	689	13.60%
U.S.	3,908	37.10%	3,134	61.88%
International/Canada	2,282	21.66%	1,242	24.52%
Total:	10,535	100.00%	5,065	100.00%

Reminder Regarding Need to Notify Board of Change in Address

The Board would like to remind all physicians that according to KRS 311.586: Every physician who is practicing medicine or osteopathy in this state shall report to the Board the address or addresses at which he maintains an office, and every new licensee shall make the same report within 90 days after commencing the practice of medicine or osteopathy in this state. Every physician who, after notifying the Board of his official address or addresses, moves his office to a new address shall immediately notify the Board of the change.

The Board would like to stress the importance of this requirement for all physicians, including locum tenens physicians. Any licensed physician may update their address by simply going to the Board's website at www.kbml.ky.gov or complete the form on the last page of this Newsletter and forward to the Board.

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Change of Address Notice

Please Note: The information that you provide on this Change of Address Notice will be used to update your profile on the Board's web site at www.kbml.ky.gov.

You may also change your address online <http://kbml.ky.gov/address/Pages/default.aspx>

(Please Print or Type Information)

Date: _____ KY License Number: _____

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Mailing Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Practice Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Practice County: _____

Office Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____
(Email address is not published)